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SUBJECT: RESETTLEMENT OF INDOCHINESE REFUGEES

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1. FCO TELLS US ONLY PUBLIC STATEMENT REGARDING REFUGEES WAS THAT OF SEVERAL WEEKS AGO IN WHICH SPOKESMEN SAID THAT THE 350 INDOCHINESE IN UK AT TIME SOUTH VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA FELL WILL BE ALLOWED TO REMAIN IN COUNTRY.

2. FCO HAS TOLD US PRIVATELY THAT SOME 120 APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION TO UK HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY HOME OFFICE TO DATE. NO ESTIMATE OF TOTAL NUMBER APPLICATIONS APPROVED CAN BE MADE AT THIS TIME, FOR CONSULATES HAVE BEEN GIVEN AUTHORITY TO PROCESS APPLICATIONS LOCALLY / AND REPORTS OF APPROVALS ARE ONLY TO BE MADE ON A QUARTERLY BASIS.

3. HONG KONG CONTINUES TO BE MAJOR PROBLEM AREA FOR REFUGEES, PICTURE THERE IS NOT CLEAR. FCO SAYS HMG IS HOPEFUL FORTHCOMING VISITS BY REPRESENTATIVES OF INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES WILL PROVIDE SOME RELIEF TO SITUATION, BUT IT SEEMS CLEAR TO ALL KNOWLEDGEABLE OBSERVERS THAT CAPACITY OF SUCH AGENCIES TO ABSORB LARGE NUMBERS OF REFUGEES NOW IN HONG KONG WILL FALL FAR SHORT OF REQUIREMENTS.

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